GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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NATURAL DISASTER INFORMATION SYSTEM
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has launched the Natural Disaster Information System;

(b) if so, the salient features thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to minimize the fury of natural disasters in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY)

(a): No, Sir.

(b): In view of reply to (a) above, does not arise.

(c): Government have taken several measures encompassing prevention, mitigation, preparedness, response and relief. These measures inter-alia include training and capacity building for multi hazard mitigation; development of model building bye laws, town and country planning legislation, land use zoning regulations and development control regulations; drawing up of Disaster Management and Emergency Support Function Plans (ESF); setting up of Emergency Operation Centres (EOC); setting up of specialist search and rescue teams; setting up of a Early Warning System for tsunami and storm surges in India Ocean; development of on-line National Inventory of disaster response resources and introduction of disaster management in public education. India meteorological Department has a well established mechanism for monitoring and forecasting cyclone and severe weather events.